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## U.S. Paper Recovery Rate Reaches 65.4% in 2014, Nearly Double Since 1990

The American Forest & Paper Association (AF&PA) announced recently that 65.4 percent of paper consumed in the U.S. was recovered for recycling in 2014.

U.S. paper recovery rate statistics are available at [www.paperrecycles.org/statistics](http://www.paperrecycles.org/statistics).

"U.S. paper recovery's ongoing success is possible thanks to the voluntary, market-driven product recovery system," said AF&PA President and CEO Donna Harman.

"Industry education programs and initiatives, and the millions of Americans who recycle every day help ensure continuously high paper recovery rates," said AF&PA Board Chairman and Sappi North America President and CEO Mark Gardner.

The annual paper recovery rate has nearly doubled since 1990 and the industry has set a goal to exceed 70 percent paper recovery by 2020 as part of its Better Practices, Better Planet 2020 sustainability initiative. Paper recovery for recycling helps extend the useful life of paper and paper-based packaging products, making it an integral part of the industry's sustainable story.

For more information about paper recycling and AF&PA's commitment to sustainability, visit [www.paperrecycles.org](http://www.paperrecycles.org).

The American Forest & Paper Association (AF&PA) serves to advance a sustainable U.S. pulp, paper, packaging and wood products manufacturing industry through fact-based public policy and marketable advocacy. AF&PA member companies make products essential for everyday life from renewable and recyclable resources and are committed to continuous improvement through the industry's sustainability initiative—Better Practices, Better Planet 2020. The forest products industry accounts for approximately 4 percent of the total U.S. manufacturing GDP, manufactures over \$200 billion in products annually, and employs approximately 900,000 men and women. The industry meets a payroll of approximately \$50 billion annually and is among the top 10 manufacturing sector employers in 47 states.

## Division of Waste Management Announces Over \$3.3 Million in Recycling and HHW Grants

The Energy and Environment Cabinet's Division of Waste Management announced 46 recycling and 25 household hazardous waste (HHW) grants of more than \$3.3 million. The grants will be used to expand recycling, reduce the amount of solid waste going into landfills and improve the environmental management of household hazardous waste, which includes electronic scrap and mercury from homes throughout the Commonwealth.

Grant dollars from the Kentucky Pride Fund, which is generated by a \$1.75 fee for each ton of municipal solid waste disposed of in Kentucky landfills, are financing the 71 grants.

The grants require a 25 percent local match in the form of cash or "in kind" personnel, educational activities or advertising to promote the program from the cities or counties receiving the awards.

A complete list of grant recipients can be viewed at <http://waste.ky.gov/RLA/recycling/Pages/recycling.aspx>.

## Global Environmental Services

The following are the results of the state's e-Scrap contract with Global Environmental Services (GES) as the new vendor:

- Weight in pounds: 237,613 lbs. (118.8 net tons)
- Payment to generators: \$16,131.47
- Deductions to date: \$0.00

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COMMODITY	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Apr-15	May-15	May-14
<b><u>PAPER-\$/TON</u></b>	<b>RISI Official Board Markets (Midwest/Chicago area) FOB</b>							
-	<b>Nov-14</b>	<b>Dec-14</b>	<b>Jan-15</b>	<b>Feb-15</b>	<b>Mar-15</b>	<b>Apr-15</b>	<b>May-15</b>	<b>May-14</b>
#2 mixed paper	\$35-40	\$35-40	\$35-40	\$30-35	\$30-35	\$30-35	\$30-35	\$35-40
#37 sorted office paper (SOP)	\$125-135	\$125-135	\$135-145	\$135-145	\$135-145	\$135-145	\$130-140	\$125-135
#8 ONP	\$50-55	\$50-55	\$50-55	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$40-45	\$50-55
#40 sorted white ledger (SWL)	\$210-220	\$210-220	\$220-230	\$220-230	\$230-240	\$230-240	\$230-240	\$200-210
#11 OCC	\$65-70	\$65-70	\$65-70	\$60-65	\$60-65	\$60-65	\$60-65	\$75-80
<b><u>PLASTICS-¢/LB.</u></b>	<b>Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - FOB</b>							
-	<b>Nov-14</b>	<b>Dec-14</b>	<b>Jan-15</b>	<b>Feb-15</b>	<b>Mar-15</b>	<b>Apr-15</b>	<b>May-15</b>	<b>May-14</b>
#1 PET - mixed (clear & green)	\$0.17	\$0.16	\$0.16	\$0.14	\$0.13	\$0.13	\$0.12	\$0.21
#2 HDPE (natural-milk jugs)	\$0.45	\$0.43	\$0.33	\$0.25	\$0.26	\$0.31	\$0.31	\$0.46
#2 HDPE (colored-detergent btl.s.)	\$0.28	\$0.27	\$0.24	\$0.19	\$0.23	\$0.30	\$0.28	\$0.25
<b><u>GLASS-\$/TON</u></b>	<b>Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Delivered</b>							
-	<b>Nov-14</b>	<b>Dec-14</b>	<b>Jan-15</b>	<b>Feb-15</b>	<b>Mar-15</b>	<b>Apr-15</b>	<b>May-15</b>	<b>May-14</b>
clear (flint)	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$33.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00
brown (amber)	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00
green	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00
<b><u>METALS</u></b>	<b>Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Delivered</b>							
-	<b>Nov-14</b>	<b>Dec-14</b>	<b>Jan-15</b>	<b>Feb-15</b>	<b>Mar-15</b>	<b>Apr-15</b>	<b>May-15</b>	<b>May-14</b>
aluminum beverage cans (UBC) cents/lb.	\$0.78	\$0.78	\$0.79	\$0.81	\$0.79	\$0.72	\$0.66	\$0.84
	<b>Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Delivered</b>							
	<b>Nov-14</b>	<b>Dec-14</b>	<b>Jan-15</b>	<b>Feb-15</b>	<b>Mar-15</b>	<b>Apr-15</b>	<b>May-15</b>	<b>May-14</b>
steel cans \$/TON	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$85-100	\$65-85	\$60-85	\$110-120



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